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ADD	=	Average daily dose (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
ADD_{infant}	=	Average daily dose for infant exposed to contaminated breast milk (pg [or mg] COPC/kg BW infant/day)
ADD_{mat}	=	Average daily dose, mother (pg COPC/kg BW mother/day)
ADI	=	Average daily COPC intake via inhalation (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
$AHQ_{inh(I)}$	=	Acute hazard quotient for inhalation of COPCs (unitless)
$AIEC$	=	COPC acute inhalation exposure criteria (mg/m ³)
A_i	=	Concentration of COPC I in animal tissue j (mg COPC/kg FW tissue)
AT	=	Averaging time (yr)
AT_{infant}	=	Averaging time for infant (yr)
BW	=	Body weight (kg)
BW_{infant}	=	Body weight of infant (kg)
C_a	=	Total COPC air concentration (µg/m ³)
C_{acute}	=	Acute air concentration (µg/m ³)
$Cancer\ Risk_i$	=	Individual lifetime risk through indirect exposure to COPC carcinogen I (unitless)
$Cancer\ Risk_{inh(I)}$	=	Individual lifetime cancer risk through direct inhalation of COPC carcinogen I (unitless)
C_{dw}	=	Dissolved phase water concentration (mg COPC/L water)
C_{fish}	=	Concentration in fish (mg COPC/kg FW tissue)
$C_{milk\ fat}$	=	Concentration in milk fat of breast milk for a specific exposure scenario (pg [or mg] COPC/kg milk fat)
CR_{ag}	=	Consumption rate of aboveground produce (kg DW plant/kg BW-day)
CR_{bg}	=	Consumption rate of belowground produce (kg DW plant/kg BW-day)
CR_{dw}	=	Consumption rate of drinking water (L water/day)
CR_{fish}	=	Consumption rate of fish (kg/kg BW-day)
CR_j	=	Consumption rate of animal tissue j (kg/kg-day FW)
CR_{pp}	=	Consumption rate of protected aboveground produce (kg DW plant/kg BW-day)
CR_{soil}	=	Consumption rate of soil (kg soil/day)
Cs	=	Average soil concentration over exposure duration (mg COPC/kg soil)
ED	=	Exposure duration (yr)
ED_{infant}	=	Exposure duration of infant to breast milk (yr)
EF	=	Exposure frequency (days/yr)
ET	=	Exposure time (hrs/day)
f_1	=	Fraction of ingested dioxin that is stored in fat (unitless)
f_2	=	Fraction of mother's weight that is fat (unitless)
f_3	=	Fraction of mother's breast milk that is fat (unitless)
f_4	=	Fraction of ingested COPC that is absorbed (unitless)
F_{ag}	=	Fraction of produce that is contaminated (unitless)
F_{bg}	=	Fraction of belowground produce that is contaminated (unitless)

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F_{dw}	=	Fraction of drinking water that is contaminated (unitless)
F_{fish}	=	Fraction of fish that is contaminated (unitless)
F_j	=	Fraction of animal tissue j that is contaminated (unitless)
F_{soil}	=	Fraction of soil that is contaminated (unitless)
h	=	Half-life of dioxin in adults (days)
$HI_{inh(j)}$	=	Hazard index for target organ effect j through direct inhalation of all COPCs (unitless)
HI_j	=	Hazard index for exposure pathway j (unitless)
HQ_i	=	Hazard quotient for COPC I (unitless)
$HQ_{inh(I)}$	=	Hazard quotient for direct inhalation of COPC I (unitless)
I	=	Total daily intake of COPC (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_i	=	Daily intake of COPC I from animal tissue j (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_{ag}	=	Daily intake of COPC from produce (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_{bg}	=	Daily intake of COPC from belowground produce (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_{dw}	=	Daily intake of COPC from drinking water (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_{fish}	=	Daily intake of COPC from fish (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
I_{soil}	=	Daily intake of COPC from soil (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
$Inhalation\ CSF$	=	Inhalation cancer slope factor (mg/kg-day) ⁻¹
IR	=	Inhalation rate (m ³ /hr)
IR_{milk}	=	Ingestion rate of breast milk by the infant (kg/day)
$LADD$	=	Lifetime average daily dose (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
m	=	Average maternal intake of dioxin for each adult exposure scenario (mg COPC/kg BW-day)
$Oral\ CSF$	=	Oral cancer slope factor (mg/kg-day) ⁻¹
Pd	=	Aboveground exposed produce concentration due to direct (wet and dry) deposition onto plant surfaces (mg COPC/kg DW)
P_i	=	Total COPC concentration in plant type I eaten by the animal (mg/kg DW)
Pr	=	Aboveground exposed and protected produce concentration due to root uptake (mg COPC/kg DW)
Pr_{bg}	=	Belowground produce concentration due to root uptake (mg COPC/kg DW)
P_v	=	Concentration of COPC in plant due to air-to-plant transfer (mg COPC/kg DW)
RfC	=	Reference concentration (mg/kg)
RfD	=	Reference dose (mg/kg-day)
$Total\ Cancer\ Risk$	=	Individual lifetime cancer risk through indirect exposure to all COPC carcinogens (unitless)

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<i>Total Cancer</i> <i>Risk_{inh}</i>	=	Total individual lifetime cancer risk through direct inhalation of all COPC carcinogens (unitless)
<i>URF</i>	=	Unit risk factor ($\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$) ⁻¹